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MEETING of Shareholders in this Com-
pany will be held at the COMPANY'S
OFFICES, Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY,
the 28th January, 1903, at 11.45 o'clock
a.m. for the purpose of receiving the
Report of the Directors, together with
Statement of Accounts for the year ending
31st December, 1902.

The Register of Shares of the Company
will be CLOSED from Saturday, the 17th
January, to Monday, the 26th January
(both days inclusive), during which period
no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SUTTON HOOPER.

Secretary to the
Hongkong Land Investment and Agency
Company, Limited.

General Agents for the
West Point Building Co., Ltd.
Hongkong, January 14, 1903.

THE HONGKONG LAND
INVESTMENT AND AGENCY CO.,
LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the
FIFTEENTH ORDINARY MEET-
ING of Shareholders in this Company
will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES,
Victoria Buildings, on MONDAY, the 28th Janu-
ary, 1903, at 12 o'clock Noon, for the
purpose of receiving the Report of the
Directors, together with Statement of
Accounts for the year ending 31st Decem-
ber, 1902.

The Register of Shares of the Company
will be CLOSED from Saturday, the 17th
January, to Monday, the 26th January
(both days inclusive), during which period
no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. SUTTON HOOPER.

Secretary
Hongkong, January 7, 1903.

THE HONGKONG LAND RECLAMA-
TION COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the SECON-
D ORDINARY MEETING of Shareholders
in this Company will be held at the Com-
pany's OFFICE, Victoria Buildings, on
MONDAY, the 10th January, 1903, at
12.30 o'clock p.m. for the purpose of
receiving the Report of the Directors, to-
gether with a Statement of Accounts for
the period ending 31st December, 1902.

The Register of Shares of the Company
will be CLOSED from Monday, the 14th
January, to Monday, the 26th January
(both days inclusive), during which period
no TRANSFER OF SHARES can be regis-
tered.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
MOWBRAY S. NORTHCOTE.

Secretary
Hongkong, January 13, 1903.

HONGKONG BENEVOLENT
SOCIETY.

THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
of the above Society will be held on
TUESDAY, 27th January, at 12 o'clock,
in the CITY HALL. The Public are invited
to attend.

B. S. POATE,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, January 13, 1903.

THE PUNJON MINING COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that at
a Meeting of the Board of Directors
of the Company, held at the Company's
Office, No. 13, Beaconsfield Arcade, Vic-
toria, Hongkong, on Monday, the 6th day
of January, 1903, the following Resolution
was passed:

"That in pursuance of the Special
Resolution passed on the 11th day
of November, 1902, and confirmed on
the 27th day of November, 1902,
a call of Five Cents per share be
made upon all holders of Ordinary
Shares in the above Company, and the
same is hereby made. Such Call
to be paid to the Hongkong and
Shanghai Banking Corporation, at
their Premises, Queen's Road Cen-
tral, Victoria, Hongkong, on or
before the 9th day of February,
1903.

AND NOTICE IS ALSO GIVEN that
in accordance with Article 24 of the Com-
pany's Articles of Association, interest at
the rate of \$10 per centum per annum will
be charged upon all Calls remaining unpaid
after the 9th day of February, 1903, up to
the actual dates of payment of the same.

Shareholders are requested to note that,
upon presentation at the Office of the
Company of the Bankers' Receipt for pay-
ment of the Call, and surrender of existing
Certificates of the Shares pertaining there-
to, new Share Certificates will be issued
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the said Call.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
W. KERFOOT HUGHES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, January 6, 1903.

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Intimations.

PERSEVERANCE LODGE OF
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A REGULAR MEETING of the above
LODGE will be held in the FREE-
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NEW SCHEME OF NAVAL
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It is known that within a few days—pro-
bably in the current week (says the Stand-
ard and in a recent issue)—the Admiralty will
publish a new, and, as we understand, a
far-reaching scheme of reform in Naval
Education. We may add that it is the
second drawn up within a few years. The
last was a comparatively small matter, being
concerned only with the age of entry for
midshipmen, their schooling and the time
at which they passed from the Britannia
to commissioned ships. Much more is
now required. The plan about to be
published, which is now known to be fixed
and approved by the authorities at
Whitehall, and is undergoing revision
by the Treasury for the purpose of
settling its ultimate cost to the Ex-
chequer, will be found to be of much
wider scope. It must be to some extent
the result of a reorganisation of the corps
of officers in view. If not all, of their
branches. The main lines are directed by
the character of the task which the Admiralty
has to perform. The corps of officers may
be divided under the command of the
Admiral, the Engineers, the Marines,
the Paymasters, and the Doctors. We
may put aside the fourth and fifth. Re-
formers animated by the common passion
of their class for more mechanical and
paper symmetry have suggested the ac-
countant, or Paymaster branch, as non-
essential, and have proposed that their
duties should be handed over to superan-
nated officers. The keeping of accounts is,
however, as essential as any other
day in a great and costly organisation.
The processes of clerical men who have been
reduced to a minimum, and who are kept on
board to perform functions for which they
have not been trained, would be deplorable.
The suggestion that every officer be
employed to do a particular class of work
will not stand examination. They have
outgrown junior work, and have been
elevated to the higher. They have no
place on a ship. Nobly proposed that
Doctors should take a course of study in
the risk buy, or command a battery, or lead
a landing party. Where there is intrinsic
difference of function, good order requires
corresponding distinctions in the rank. The
result of throwing masses of accountants
work on the officers of the Army has not
been good that we should wish to see
the example followed in the Navy.

The case as regards the Naval officers,
the Marines, and Engineers is by no means
so simple. They do, indeed, perform
widely different functions, but their
attributes overlap, with the result that
there is conflict and discontent in the
Service, as well as some respectable jarring
in the execution of work. The collision
and rivalry is an acute one between the
Naval officers and the Engineers. A social
element which we touch with reluctance,
but which cannot be ignored, enters into
and complicates the case. It is far worse
as it appears in the conduct of parti-
ans than in reality, but it exists. The
Engineers entered the Navy some sixty years
ago as mere engine drivers. It has only
been by degrees that they have attained to
the position of officers, which is able to
share to the full the fact that the re-
cognition given them has not always been
gracious. They have suffered from those
picks to self-esteem which, as every-
one who possesses an elementary know-
ledge of human nature is aware, are
often cause more pain and leave a more
rankling memory than a substantial
injury. Indeed, they cannot be even
said to have fully attained the position
of officers. They do not possess by right
those disciplinary powers which the Li-
eutenant, or Sub-lieutenant, in charge of
the watch on deck. It is true that power is
granted them, at least by some Captains,
but they hold it in a precarious manner.
This, they believe, puts them in an inferior
position, and the annoyance they freely
express has an undeniable influence in
causing the want of satisfactory candidates

But their officers suffer from the same limitation of power when on board ship, as the Engineers, and they have far less share in the work when at sea, since their men are mingled with the sailors at the guns and the discipline is mainly in the hands of the sea officers. It is a grievance with them that their ambition is limited by the Colonel Commandant's rank at Walmers and Chatham, Portsmouth and Plymouth. Only one of them can become a General in administrative purposes at the Admiralty. They cannot be Generals on active service, because they do not belong to the Army, or Captains of ships and Admirals because they are not seamen.

When the problem was stated it became easy to see what the aim of the Admiralty must be. It has to get rid of the social jarring between the Naval and Engineer officers, and to improve the prospects of the Marines, while providing for the future Lieutenants, Captains, and Admirals the extended technical training made necessary by the application of machinery to weapons of war, as well as the motive power of the ship. Many means have been suggested, but none have been made for a reform. The last was elaborated no further back than November 28, at the United Service Institute by Commander H. J. O'Brien. They all have in different ways the fault of proposing to put the corps of officers through a Medical cadetship, in which all distinctions would disappear, and each body would remain to do the Naval, Engineering, and Marine duties of the officers of these plans, all in their several degrees, overlook the fact that they would introduce new, and possibly fatal, causes of diversity into the Navy. It would be seen, if not too, years before the officers trained on the elaborate scale which they suggested could be coming into active service. Meanwhile, vacancies must be filled, and there would have to be two sorts of entry into the Navy. When they did come, it would be at the bottom of the ladder, and a general would pass before the Admiralty in commissioned ships. Such a training, too, would deprive the Naval officers, who are to be navigators and commanders of that early familiarity with the sea which is still obtained, though not so thoroughly as it once was, by serving as Midshipmen in commissioned ships. We believe that the Admiralty has no intention of making changes of these wholesale and unwholesome proportions. It will only year to year secure a similarity of social position and unity of sentiment and character which ought to exist among its officers, by requiring all of them, except the Doctors and, perhaps, the accountants, to go through the British cadetship. At present only the so-called "Executive" that is, seamen and navigating officers, receive this schooling. They enter between fourteen and a-half and fifteen and after eighteen months go to commissioned ships. Their education is continued on board, which interferes with their practical training, and complaints are made of want of thoroughness produced by a patchwork system of instruction. According to the new model, the age of entry to the Britannia will be thirteen, and the course will be continued till seventeen or eighteen. By this time it will have been possible to give a sound foundation of technical knowledge.

The identity of professional feeling which the Admiralty wishes to secure will hardly be obtained if the young officers are to separate immediately after the Britannia course is finished. We may, therefore, expect with confidence, to hear that they will begin their active career together as seamen and midshipmen. "Specialization," as it is called, will come at some later period. It is here that the main difficulty of carrying out the scheme of entry will probably be found. By the nature of things, there is, and must be, an inherent difference of function separating the officer who directs the course of the ship on the bridge, or the fire of the batteries, from the other who controls the motive power in the engine-room. In the Merchant Service nobility proposes to three the navigator and seaman into hatchpost with the engineer. But there is no "social question" there, and in the Royal Navy there is. When that is removed, as we may trust it will be by the coming training, and similar early service of all ranks, advance may be expected to be obtained in the Navy also. It is, again, an inevitable consequence of the conditions in which a Navy works that the higher direction must rest with the officer whose place is on the bridge, and in the batteries. The future will probably show that those who are employed on engineering work will be understood to be debased from the command of ship and squadrons. The Marine officer, who will pass from a third to a half of his service on shore in barracks, will be even more obviously disqualified for high Naval command. Both must look to be compensated for whatever they may suppose to lose by having to renounce the certainty of attaining to safe and well-paid places. To make the engine-room and the Marine barracks the refuge of the weary and the disappointed would not tend to the good of the Navy. Some nice adjustment will be required to adapt the existing status of officers to the new rules, but the Navy has always been an elastic institution, and we may look to see it conform itself once more to the necessities of the times.

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Alouette	French gunboat	300	—	—	Lieut. A. Bello	Shanghai
Argus	French gunboat	475	3	450	Capt. Crespin	Canton
Aspic	French gunboat	—	—	—	Commander Journe	Singapore
Avalanche	French gunboat	580	—	—	Lieut. Fido	Shanghai
Bengali	French gunboat	4009	19	9000	Capt. Lefevre	Nanking
Bignard	French gunboat	625	—	—	Commander Leony	Shanghai
Comete	French gunboat	690	—	—	Commander Leamy	Shanghai
Decade	French gunboat	8114	14	13,500	Captain Fournet	Tientsin
d'Entrecasteaux	French gunboat	3738	10	9000	Captain Serris	Wouan
Frant	French gunboat	1250	6	2200	Capt. Le Gollieur	Hongkong
Kersaint	French gunboat	470	—	—	Capt. Beane	Singapore
Lion	French gunboat	3988	14	8500	Capt. Hurst	Shanghai
Oly	French gunboat	9437	8	8071	Captain Souas	Shanghai
Pascal	French gunboat	1800	2	500	Captain Bonifoy	Shanghai
Redoubtable	French gunboat	629	2	900	Capt. Vincent	Shanghai
Syx	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Monnet	Shanghai
Surprise	French gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Blondel	Shanghai
Taklang	French gunboat	—	—	—	Co. adr. Villeneuve	Shanghai
Vauban	French gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. von Bassewitz	Kiautschow
Vigilant	French gunboat	400	4	441	Captain Friedrich	Hongkong
Vipere	French gunboat	—	—	—	Comdr. Berger	Shanghai
Bussard	German gunboat	1800	8	2900	Opt. Paschen	Hongkong
Furst Bismarck	German gunboat	11,000	36	14,000	Opt. Ingenhoff	Hongkong
Gust	German gunboat	1600	8	—	Lieut.-Comdr. Hallermann	Shanghai
Hansa	German gunboat	6000	20	10,000	Comdr. Wuthmann	Shanghai
Hertha	German gunboat	6000	20	10,000	Comdr. Hübner	Shanghai
Itis	German gunboat	1000	10	1300	Comdr. Hoffmann	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	850	10	—	Comdr. Schröder	Shanghai
Luchs	German gunboat	1130	8	1500	Comdr. von Weis	Shanghai
Schwabe	German gunboat	1600	8	2800	Captain John Bos	Shanghai
Scandal	German gunboat	900	10	1300	Captain Bötti	Shanghai
Tiger	German gunboat	—	—	—	Captain Zodi	Shanghai
Vorwärts	German gunboat	—	—	—	Captain d'Azavedo	Macao
Thetis	German gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. F. J. Barloza Leal	Hongkong
Lombardia	Italian cruiser	2900	10	6843	Captain Stemmer	Singapore
Marco Polo	Italian cruiser	4583	16	10,543	Comdr. Guinter	Shanghai
Vesuvio	Italian cruiser	4600	14	6820	Comdr. Gramatichio	Shanghai
Dia	Portuguese gunboat	720	—	—	Comdr. Zolovskiy	Shanghai
Zaire	Portuguese gunboat	690	—	—	Comdr. Yousief	Shanghai
Admiral Nachimoff	Russian cruiser	9000	18	8900	Comdr. Zagarskiy	Shanghai
Albatross	Russian gunboat	210	—	—	Captain Josen	Shanghai
Amur	Russian gunboat	2600	5	4700	Comdr. Shunoff	Shanghai
Bobra	Russian gunboat	1050	5	1150	Comdr. Novakovsky	Shanghai
Galina	Russian gunboat	500	9	3800	Comdr. Muvet	Shanghai
Gromoboi	Russian gunboat	1490	8	2900	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Gromoboi	Russian gunboat	12,384	44	14,500	Captain Korolef	Shanghai
Kilpetz	Russian gunboat	1019	6	1000	Comdr. Jakovlef	Shanghai
Mandjour	Russian gunboat	1203	7	1500	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Olavny	Russian gunboat	1224	7	1400	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Petrasiev	Russian gunboat	1490	8	2900	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	12,674	15	14,000	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	10,960	16	10,000	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	10,960	16	10,000	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1334	10	1768	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	12,200	32	17,000	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	10,923	26	13,250	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	10,960	16	10,000	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	950	2	1125	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1050	8	1129	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	6500	27	20,000	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	500	9	3300	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1220	6	1194	Captain Vasilief	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1000	10	1277	Comdr. Kad Rohrer	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1119	8	1000	Comdr. J. G. Bowman	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1800	—	—	Lieut.-Comdr. J. M. Holm	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1393	8	1988	Lieut.-Comdr. W. F. Hals	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	11,354	41	10,000	Comdr. R. R. Ingersoll	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1901	2	750	Captain C. H. Stockton	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	391	6	800	Comdr. T. H. Stevens	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	137	6	850	Captain Mahan	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	40	4	1244	Comdr. F. M. Wisc	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	106	—	—	Comdr. Drick	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	41	—	—	Comdr. Sperry	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	82	24	17,401	Captain M. R. S. Mackenzie	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	106	—	800	Comdr. J. P. Selfridge	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	106	—	—	Comdr. Leander	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	106	10	1118	Comdr. J. B. Barry	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1387	8	1894	Comdr. E. S. Prim	Shanghai
Potavsk	Russian gunboat	1710	8	1801	Comdr. Ward	Shanghai

TELEGRAMS.

[REUTERS SERVICE.]

INDISPOSITION OF MR. BALFOUR.

LONDON, January 13, 1903.
Mr Balfour is confined to his house with a feverish cold. Later news gives a slight rise in temperature, necessitating confinement to bed.

MACEDONIA.

The *Nova Fransa* states that Austria and Russia have agreed to demand reforms in Macedonia, including the establishment of financial control over the collection of taxes, and the payment of officials and troops; also the control of the gendarmerie by the appointment of Belgian, Dutch and Swiss officers.

SOUTH AFRICA.

Discussions between Mr Chamberlain and the leading men of Johannesburg promise a successful issue generally.
It is stated that an Imperial grant of £30,000,000 will be issued for re-productive works and that the Transvaal contribution to the war will be the same amount, spread over three years.

CANTON NEWS.

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

THE CANTON-HANKOW RAILWAY.

Canton, January 14.
Although the engineers have now been at work for some months, there is not much to be seen of the Canton-Hankow Railway, although a great deal of work has been done. When once the actual construction of the railway is undertaken, the progress will soon be apparent. It was a good idea to determine first of all to complete a line between Canton and Fatsan. The old saying that increased facilities for travelling induce people to travel is no less true of China than of Europe of America. The number of passengers travelling every day between Canton and Fatsan, compared with five years ago, is at least ten times as great, and it is always increasing. These things augur a successful future for the Company.

ITEMS.

The opium monopoly is said to have been let for a sum of one million dollars. This sum is to be divided into monthly payments and to be paid on the first day of each month. This shows that the opium trade represents a lot of money. Of course, with Canton as centre, it includes a large part of the Province, but even keeping that in mind the Spirit trade is small and insignificant. The Spirit monopoly for Pan U, one of the largest and wealthiest districts, including, as it does, half of Canton city, is only twelve thousand dollars a year.

A Canton street watchman, found guilty of the charge of harbouring robbers, has been placed in a cage in a public part of the city to reflect on his conduct and act as a warning to men of his class. It is a pity, if nothing can be done to stop the too free use of revolvers in the streets of Canton—already several fatal assaults have taken place. The danger to others is often greater than to the man who is attacked.

CHANGES.

The Kwong Chas Prefect has retired. Mr and Mrs Pearson are leaving to settle in Switzerland. The Rev. W. Bridie, who has been in charge of the educational work of the Wesleyan Mission for the last nine years, is removing to Hongkong to take up the work of an Army and Navy Chaplain. Mr and Mrs H. J. Stevens, of the London Mission, are also going home.

The Situation in Kansu.

The following is taken from the *N. O. Daily News* of the 9th inst.:—Writing under date 13th December from Koi-to-kan, Huanan, Mr C. J. Anderson, of the China Inland Mission, sends further particulars in regard to the situation in Kansu. He quotes a letter to hand from the province in question as follows:—Affairs in Kansu are very serious. Tung Fu-hsing is 90 li north of Kansu in a walled town. A man, who was sent to inquire about the rumours, spent two days in Tung's stronghold, he reports the valley is full of troops, tents, etc., and that there were 20 'yings' of troops around him. The names of many men, now at their homes, are enrolled, so that they may flock to Tung's standard at his call. The soldiers want to fight, and their general talk is, 'In Shensi and Kansu there is not to be left one foreign devil.' All travellers are searched and letters for missionaries have been opened. A parcel of letters has just arrived through the yamen and every one was torn open, nor could any answer be obtained to enquiries. A reliable source states that 'there will be trouble before long.' It is said that Tung has a great store of ammunition supplies, and that the Taoist at Kansu has received orders from Court to disband his troops. Four thousand were disbanded in one day, and everyone joined Tung. It is also said that Tung, Fu-hsing, Prince Tuan, Ping-hang Taoist, and Yung Lu at Peking are working together. The fact is that Tung has bought up an immense store of grain and fodder, so that the price has gone up to nearly double; grain by camel is nearly 200 miles distant. Another fact is that the missionaries are forbidden by the officials to go toward the neighbourhood of Kunen, or to go into the streets in the evening. This is something new in the quiet province of Kansu. Trouble seems to be not far off.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

A seam of coal of thirty feet has been found in the Transvaal.

The *Times* (London) has received messages from Canada by wireless telegraphy.

The Countess of Carnarvon has been robbed of five thousand pounds worth of jewels in France.

The Australian Eleven share of the proceeds of the earnings in the English test matches amounts to £4258.

Koch and two assistants have been engaged by the Imperial Government to cope with the cattle plague in South Africa.

An Adelaide telegram dated 30th Dec. states:—The ship *Inverclyde* has been wrecked at Barrow Heads, but all on board have been saved.

Two men, bathing at Falmouth, London, caught hold of a wire which was accidentally charged with electricity, the result being that the men were instantly killed.

Loss to Meteorology.

The Lake Geneva observatory, including Yerke's telescope, which is the largest of its kind in the world, has been destroyed by fire.

Tragedy in Arkansas.

Through an explosion of gasoline at the Turf Exchange, Arkansas, thirteen persons have been killed and thirty injured.

Polo Match.

A polo match, Hongkong v. Kowloon, will be played on Saturday, the 17th inst.; by kind permission of Lieut-Colonel Candy and officers, the band of the 14th Bombay Infantry will play.

Shipping Disaster.

A London telegram dated 18th ult. reports that the steamer *Murphy* has foundered at Dublin Bay. With the exception of one survivor, the whole of the crew and passengers on board the unfortunate vessel have perished.

Murderers Reprieved.

Kitty Byron was sentenced to death for fatally stabbing Baker, of the London Stock Exchange, but was recommended to mercy. Subsequently, she was reprieved, as were also the women Ethel Rollinson and Eva Eastwood also under sentence of death.

Boers Charged with Murder.

Commandants Barend and Colliers have been committed for trial at Kromstad on the charge of murdering last year Lieutenant Boyle, who was a captive but was acquitted by the Boer Court. Colliers was acted under General Botha's instructions.

The Double Life.

Sam Ni, the wife of a well-to-do Chinese, who has shops in Hongkong and in Chinese territory, kept a pawnshop, Chinese hotel, and opium den at Kap Sui Mun, without the necessary permit. At the Magistrate's, to-day, Mr Hazeldine fined her \$375.

Shipping Subsidies.

In the report of the Select Committee on Steamship Subsidies published as a Parliamentary paper, there are several paragraphs comparing the subsidies paid in England and various other countries. England pays £750,000 in mail ship subsidies, not including the £150,000 just agreed upon with the Cunard Company. Admiralty subsidies amount in addition to £77,813 a year. There is only one deviation in the direction of commercial policy—the recent subvention to the West India service to Jamaica. The P. and O., who receive by far the largest subsidies in the kingdom, are paid £330,000 annually for a weekly service to Bombay, a fortnightly service to Shanghai, and a fortnightly service to Australia, but they consider the subsidy very inadequate even for purely postal services. The Orient Line, for a fortnightly service to Australia, receives £85,000 a year. The Canadian Pacific Railway, for the conveyance of mails, troops, and stores from Halifax or Quebec, via Vancouver, to Hongkong, has £60,000 annually, and this contract is about to be renewed. The German policy combines direct and indirect subsidies. The North German Lloyd gets £195,000 for its East Asian service and £115,000 for the Australian service, and the German East Africa Company gets £47,500 a year. France pays £1,787,271, but has not proportionately increased her trade. Russia pays £318,061 for transport and £46,895 for postal service. Austria pays £247,000 for postal and £54,289 for trading bounties. Japan pays about £600,000.

WHAT IS A COUGH?

A spasmodic effort to expel the mucus from the bronchial tubes. A cold causes a more abundant secretion of mucus, and when the lungs and bronchial tubes are inflamed, they are extremely sensitive to irritation. Unless care is taken, the cold may result in pneumonia, which is swift and deadly. If the cold is lingering one, the more leisurely but equally fatal consumption may set in. Do not neglect a cold or cough. Take Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. It always cures and cures quickly. For sale by All Dealers. WATKINS Ltd., General Agents.

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Theatrical Friends.

Dallas' Company has been drawing large crowds at the Calcutta Opera House. Mr and Mrs Dallas are both with the Company, so is Mr Percival King. The Bouffes are also drawing well.

Stolen Milk.

Two Chinese were sentenced each to a month's imprisonment, for stealing seven tins of condensed milk from the premises of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Kowloon, at the Magistrate's, to-day.

The Plague in India.

A Calcutta telegram dated the 24th December states:—The plague mortality continues slowly to increase, 14,203 deaths being reported in India during the last week compared with 13,415 in the previous week and 9,198 in the corresponding period of last year.

Botted with a Vengeance.

The steam-roller which is being employed at Praya East caused an obstruction this morning. One of the heavy stone wheels proved too weighty for the road over a drain opposite Messrs Mody's yard. The permanent way collapsed and the roller remained jammed in the ground, powerless to move one way or the other.

A Correction.

We are informed that in our report of the appeal case in which Pan Kwok Chiu was appellant and Pan Leung and others were respondents, published in our issue of the 12th January last, there was an error, inasmuch as the appellant was not ordered to pay the costs of the appeal, but the costs were to be costs in the cause, viz., payable by the losing party in the action in the Original Jurisdiction.

St Joseph's College.

A concert will shortly be held in aid of the St Joseph's College building fund. The fact that it will be under the direction of Signor Cattaneo guarantees its artistic success. The building operations are now almost complete, and the College will be ready for the inspection of visitors within two weeks' time. Mr Ylio Teau, a Penang gentleman, has generously given \$2,000 towards the fund, and the majority of the local firms are subscribing.

The New War-paint.

Orders have been given that before the Channel Squadron goes to sea again all the ships are to be painted French grey, which is now the regulation colour for the British Navy. The ships of the Mediterranean Squadron are also to be painted this colour by April 1 next. This will be an expensive proceeding, but the result, in the opinion of some naval experts, is worth the outlay, as the experiments during the recent Naval Manoeuvres showed that grey-coloured ships made a very difficult target, except at very close range. All ships of the Channel Squadron are also to have electric ammunition hoists fitted to their guns to expedite the supply of ammunition and lighten the labours of the gun crews.

The Archbishop of Canterbury.

Dr Randall Davidson, the new Archbishop of Canterbury, is a Scotchman having been born in Edinburgh in 1848. He has had a very successful career in the Church, having attained the highest position in the Anglican Church, which makes him the first of the King's subjects, in his 55th year. He was educated at Trinity College, Oxford, and before he was thirty was chaplain and private secretary to Archbishop Tait. He was subsequently secretary to the Queen, Dean of Windsor, Bishop of Rochester, Clerk of the Closet to the Queen, and Bishop of Winchester. He wrote the life of Archbishop Tait (of whom he is the son-in-law).

Steamer Burned at Sea.

The *Times* of Ceylon of the 29th ult. states:—On Saturday morning, the British India Co's steamer *Suvada* arrived off the port, but did not enter harbour, to drop ashore the master, officers and crew of the steamer *Monbassa* of Glasgow. The *Monbassa* had been destroyed by fire at sea a few days before, and the officers and crew having taken to the ships-boats were standing by the burning vessel when the B. I. boat fortunately came up with them. The party who landed were Captain Fair, Mrs Fair and Master Fair; Mr D. Petrie, Chief Officer; Mr J. Cockle, Second Officer; Mr J. Garraway, Chief Engineer; Mr A. Richmond, Second Engineer; Mr R. Dick, Third Engineer; Mr Moreau, Fourth Engineer, and twenty-four European seamen. They were burned out on Monday, the 22nd instant. The *Monbassa* was on a voyage from Calcutta to New York with jute and salt-petre. The cause of the fire is put down to spontaneous combustion. The following notification was published from Calcutta on the 27th December:—The steamer *Monbassa*, official No. 111,212, of Glasgow, is reported abandoned in Lat. 15 deg. 22 min. N., and Long 85 deg. 24 min. E. on fire. Drifting in a south-westerly direction at the rate of a knot an hour: a danger to shipping: mariners to be warned.

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LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Notes by the Way.

Lord Willoughby de Broke has died on the voyage from England to Australia.

The French Mail of the 15th December was delivered in London on the 13th inst.

We hear that the steamer *Embarly* has been bought by a Chinese firm at Singapore.

Parcel mails for Europe &c., by S.S. *Baltic* will close at 3 p.m. on Friday, the 16th inst.

We regret to hear that Sir Cecil Clementi Smith has been suffering from gastric catarrh.

Since his arrival in Singapore, Admiral Sir Harry Keppel has not been in good health.

Astor has given £30,000 in memory of his little daughter to the London Children's Hospital.

Yasoo, the winner of the Viceroy's Cup at the Calcutta Races, was twice beaten in other races.

It is reported that the Hartop divorce cross-suits cost upwards of £13,000. The lawyers gained most of this.

The American Methodist Episcopal Church has collected £4,000,000 for twentieth century thanksgiving.

The death occurred on the 28th ult. of Dr E. O. Pettifer, District Medical Officer, Calcutta, from appendicitis.

Mr Charles Henry Wilson, of the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank at Rangoon has received the decoration of C.I.E.

Major Crawley, 13th Lancers, and Lieut. D. Carleton, 9th Lancers, will join the West African Frontier force.

The English cricketers now in New Zealand scored 321 in their first innings in a match against the Colony.

New South Wales, in the Sheffield trophy competition, has beaten South Australia by 210 runs and Victoria by 130 runs.

Father McEnroe, of Sydney, while trying to stop a runaway, was knocked down and killed, his skull being fractured and body injured.

An Australian telegram states that Mr A. S. Rowe, partner in the firm of Bawick, Moreing and Co., of London, is missing. Mr Moreing is at present in North China.

The Singapore *Free Press* agrees with us that where Chinese 'bosses' stir up strife amongst the coolie classes the agitators should be deported summarily from the Colony.

The Swedish steamer *Victoria*, while on a voyage from Penang to Iloilo, caught fire in Singapore Roads on the 7th inst. Assistance was sent to her, and the fire was soon extinguished.

The King has been pleased to approve the appointment of the Earl of Meath to be Chancellor of the Royal University of Ireland, and of the Earl of Westmeath to be a member of the Senate.

At the final State examinations for ladies, which have just been held for the first time in St. Petersburg, one hundred and eleven candidates have obtained their medical degree.

Five Norwegians who left Lillesand on August 1 in a thirty-six foot sailing boat arrived at Capetown on the 6th December. They called at Dover, Madeira, Cape Verde, and Bahia.

Captain Wilkinson, who has commissioned the *Thetis* at Chatham, takes that vessel to China to relieve the *Arctus*, which is ordered to England. The latter was commissioned at Chatham in November, 1899.

The torpedo gunboat *Spider*, built at Devonport, 15 years ago, at a cost of £50,000, is to be sold out of the service, an order to refit her at a cost of £29,000 having been cancelled after a survey had revealed the unsatisfactory character of her hull.

We hear on good authority (says the *Rangoon Gazette*) that Lieutenant-Colonel W. J. R. Wickham, C.B., is to be Deputy Inspector-General for Supply and Transport in Burma. Col. Wickham earned his C. B. for transport work in South Africa. He is now on leave and Lieutenant-Colonel Bond, C.B., will act for him until his return to India about next November.

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DEATHS.

At Fokestone, on the 14th inst., Mrs H. M. PLAYFAIR, aged 71, widow of the late Lieut. Colonel G. W. Playfair, Madras Staff Corps, and mother of Geo. W. Playfair, Hongkong.

At Montana, Johore Bahru, on January 1, DOUGLAS MAJOR, Victoria's youngest and dearly loved daughter of William and Laura Mary Kilgour; aged 5 years.

The publication of this issue commenced at 5.30 p.m.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, THURSDAY, JANUARY 15, 1903.

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Golf Championship of the East.

The golf championship of India and the Far East has been won by Mr Stuart Smith from Mr Mitchell Jones, by seven up and six to play.

Artillery Officer Killed.

A Delhi telegram, dated 31st December, says:—2nd Lieutenant Philip Papillon, 35th Battery, Royal Field Artillery, was accidentally shot dead while out shooting on the afternoon of the 29th December.

A Foolish Statement.

Speaking at a meeting of a Geographical Society at Munich, Mr Pauliney Bigelow, the American author, said that Kiacchos could never be more than a pleasant seaside resort. The best policy was to concentrate foreign protection on the national port of Shanghai and to declare it a Republic free from consular and official meddling.

A Salutory Lesson.

At the Magistrate's, to-day, a salutory lesson was read for the benefit of cruel Chinese. Leung Fui, compounder's coolie, employed at 51 Central Market, was charged by Inspector MacEwen with cruelty using a partridge. The wings of the bird were tied and the coolie was swinging it at the end of a string. He was fined \$100, and given the option of undergoing three months.

Our Knights.

The formal announcement appears in the *Gazette* of 9th ult. that the King has been pleased, by Letters Patent under the Great Seal of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland, to confer the dignity of a Knight of the said United Kingdom unto Edward Fleet Alford, of The Boltons, in the Royal borough of Kensington, in the county of London, Esquire; and William Hugh Goodman, Esquire, Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of the Colony of Hongkong.

Royal Hongkong Yacht Club.

The second race for the Commodore's Cups will be sailed for on Saturday next, the 17th inst. Course and conditions as for the first race. The 7th Club Race will be sailed on Sunday next, the 18th inst. Course—No. 34. The 8th Club Race, which was fixed for February 1, is postponed to February 8 on account of the Chinese New Year holidays. The officers of the Royal Engineers have kindly offered a cup to the Club. The race will probably take place on February 22. Course and conditions will be published later.

Band at King Edward Hotel.

By kind permission of Col. Birdwood and Officers, the Band of the 10th Bombay Light Infantry will play the following selections of music at the above Hotel during dinner from 7.30 to 9.30 p.m., on Friday, the 16th instant:—

March... 'The Royal R. Blanchon Engineers' M. Rille
Lancers... 'The Spanish Beauty' M. Rille
Serenade... 'La Paloma' J. Hartman
Selection... 'The Tossing' Ivan Caryll
Valse... 'Gypsies' A. G. Crowe
Galop... 'Die Wilderer' G. S. S. S.

A Millionaire's Magazine.

Sir George Newnes is bringing out a new and remarkable periodical. One might almost say that it is a magazine for millionaires. It is a quarterly, and the price is to be ten guineas per copy. The magazine is to deal with art, and its chief feature will be coloured reproductions of beautiful and famous pictures which have never before been reproduced. Mr A. G. Temple, who managed all the art exhibitions at the Guildhall, is the editor. On account of the difficulty of producing a greater number in the space of three months, it is expected that each issue will be limited to 500 copies.

The Burma Command.

We understand that Major-General G. Henry, R.E., now Quarter-Master-General in India, is likely to obtain the Burma Command. General Henry, as Captain Henry, was employed in the Upper Burma Field Force as a Deputy Assistant Quarter-Master-General in the campaign of 1885-87 so is not new to the province, and, as such, well fitted for a Command requiring technical knowledge, for instance, with sub-marine mining, etc. He was employed as a Deputy Adjutant-General, Madras Command, in 1900, prior to being made Quarter-Master-General in India.

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MEMOS. FOR TO-MORROW.

Meeting.

9.00 p.m.—Meeting of Preservation Lodge.

General Memoranda.

SATURDAY, January 17:—

11 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The China Provident Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

MONDAY, January 19:—

3 p.m.—Auction of Several Lots Nos. 1 to 19 for erection of Boohs and Mats at North of the Grand Stand Enclosure.

Goods per *Sunshi Maru* not cleared on this date subject to rent.Goods per *Ceylon* not cleared on this date subject to rent.Goods per *Banza* not cleared on this date subject to rent.

WEDNESDAY, January 21:—

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The National Bank of China, Ltd., at the Bank's Premises.

Goods per *Banza* not cleared after this date subject to rent.

MONDAY, January 26:—

11.45 a.m.—Meeting of Shareholders of The West Point Building Co., Ltd., at Company's Office.

Noon.—Meeting of Shareholders of The Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Ltd., at the Company's Office.

CHINESE SCHOOL BOOKS

I.—Sam Tsz King.

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